SOVEREIGN GRACE CHURCH

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"...thanks be to GOD, which GIVETH us the victory through our LORD JESUS CHRIST."

1 Corinthians 15:57

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Schedule of Services

Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Worship 11:00 am Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm

Nursery
Nursery available for 4 years old and younger

Happy Birthday! Brian Jennings - July 18th

Beloved, "As far as the east is from the west, so far hath HE REMOVED OUR TRANSGRESSIONS FROM US!" (PSALM 103:12)

GOD'S SIN OFFFRING

"YET IT PLEASED THE LORD TO BRUISE HIM; HE HATH PUT HIM TO GRIEF: WHEN THOU SHALT MAKE HIS SOUL AN OFFERING FOR SIN, HE SHALL SEE HIS SEED, HE SHALL PROLONG HIS DAYS, AND THE PLEASURE OF THE LORD SHALL PROSPER IN HIS HAND" (ISAIAH 53:10)

GOD must be satisfied. The LORD JESUS CHRIST, GOD's blessed SON, the incarnate third Person of the eternal Godhead is GOD's singular satisfaction for the sin of His Loved ones. We cannot satisfy infinite justice for ourselves because the only source we have to make the effort is sinful in itself, which is ourselves. Only that which is unclean can come from an unclean thing. Our HEAVENLY FATHER because of His infinite love for His children and His Holy character which is glorifying in Himself and revealing in His SON has provided that which only He can provide.

Amazingly, the verse before us reveals GOD's eternal Covenant of Grace from election to glorification (ISAIAH 53:10). No less than a dozen times is our Lord referred to in this one verse! The HOLY GHOST is

making it undeniably clear that GOD has provided that sin offering and that sin offering is none other than the LAMB OF GOD. He is GOD's satisfaction — "He shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall My righteous servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities" (ISAIAH 53:11). This one verse does not stand alone in identifying GOD's sin offering. This grand and glorious truth is the theme of all the WORD OF GOD. Nevertheless, the mass of humankind in self-delusion imagine that they themselves can justify themselves before GOD by their own doings. Those that persuade themselves and others of self-justification reveal a heart of unbelief and irreverence for GOD and HIS CHRIST and HIS WORK OF REDEMPTION.

The LORD JESUS CHRIST in HIS redemptive work is the sinner's only hope and assurance. This is the only work that gives honor and glory to the blessed Trinity in the salvation of sinners. "Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the ward of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high" (HEBREWS 1:3).

PASTOR TOMMY ROBBINS

Beloved, GOD has done *more* than take away your sins; *much more!* HE has made you HIS righteousness in CHRIST. (GENESIS 3:21, ISAIAH 40:1-2, JOHN 1:29, 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21, ROMANS 5:10)

THE BELIEVER'S OBJECT

"FOR TO ME TO LIVE IS CHRIST, AND TO DIE IS GAIN" (PHILIPPIANS 1:21)

The believer's object is Christ. "For to me to live is CHRIST." (PHILIPPIANS 1:21) Paul had but one object, "Whether we live, we live unto the LORD, and whether we die we die unto the LORD" (ROMANS 14:8). It is a man's object (that to which his affections, thoughts, and feelings are directed), not his position, that gives character, peace, confidence, and standing. Many people, (preachers included) clamor for recognition, praise, and position: and that is natural for one who does not have anything better. But the believer is —"Content with beholding His face, My all to His pleasure resign; No changes of season or place Would make any change in my mind. While blest with a sense of His love, A palace a toy would appear, And prisons would palaces prove If Christ would dwell with me there". (HOW TEDIOUS AND TASTELESS by JOHN NEWTON)

PASTOR SCOTT RICHARDSON

SIN WHICH IS NOT SEEN

"...TO FINISH THE TRANSGRESSION..." (DANIEL 9:24)

How can GOD, who sees all things, no longer see sin in believers? The LORD JESUS CHRIST is the answer. The Messiah [the Hebrew word for Christ], of whom Daniel wrote, was "to finish the transgression, and make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness" (DANIEL 9:24).

To make an end of sins!—The LORD JESUS CHRIST has so effectually redeemed his people, so perfectly reconciled HIS people, so absolutely propitiated GOD, so thoroughly removed the sins of his people—that GOD declares—the GOD who cannot change—"their sins and iniquities will I remember no more" (HEBREWS 10:17).

—"As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us" (PSALM 103:12). "There is therefore no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus" (ROMANS 8:1). In CHRIST, HE sees us in CHRIST, in the BELOVED "in whom he is well pleased."

PASTOR DAVID PLEDGER

Beloved where do you want to be found in that day? I trust your answer is in CHRIST JESUS. Walk after the Spirit, not the flesh.

(ROMANS 8:1, 2 TIMOTHY 1:12)

Ву Нім

"...PEACE THROUGH THE BLOOD OF HIS CROSS, <u>BY HIM</u> TO RECONCILE ALL THINGS UNTO HIMSELF; <u>BY HIM</u>..." (COLOSSIANS 1:20)

The message of the Gospel is seen here in these two words "by Him"; the 'Him' of the gospel is CHRIST. Beloved, can you hear the gospel of our salvation in these two words here in verse 20? 'By Him'! It does not say by you, beloved. The gospel is not; "Jesus did all He could, now please won't you let Him save you!" No beloved, HE did it all! "He did it all, all to Him I owe". JESUS paid it all, "All to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, and He washed it white as snow." (HEBREWS 1:3) The HIM of the Gospel is OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. Beloved, on that day, every sinner found believing, trusting, resting on CHRIST will be presented by HIM, "holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight." (COLOSSIANS 1:22).